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RELEASES

MARCH '87

CAPTAIN ATOM RETURNS!

A moment ago, it was the era of the Beatles, LBJ, and the Viet Nam war.

Then Air Force Captain Nathanial Adam volunteered for an experiment that set him in the middle of a nuclear explosion that thurst him nearly 20 years into the future. The good news is he *survives.*

What's more, he's infused with incredible nuclear powers making him one of the most powerful beings in the universe: ***CAPTAIN ATOM,*** able to tap into the infinite quantum field that comprises all matter and energy throughout the universe.

The *bad* news is that in the 20 years between Adam's "death" and reappearance, his wife has married his worst enemy and his children have grown into adults almost his own age; strangers to him.

CAPTAIN ATOM was the shining star of the classic Charlton line of action heroes, and now he's returned to the DC Universe, where he will be shining anew in his own monthly series. He's a hero revamped and revitalized for the 1980's by writer Cary Bates and penciller Pat Broderick ... a time when ***Captain Atom*** is forced to work undercover for the U.S. government in order to clear his name of a treason he did not commit.

Don't miss the tension packed debut of ***Captain Atom*** in this special extended-length introductory story!

And while we're on the subject—you'll also want to pick up on the fabulous full-color poster of the entire line of Charlton heroes ... that's ***Captain Atom, The Question, Blue Beetle*** and many more! ... pencilled by Pat Broderick, and painted by ***Watchmen*** colorist supreme, John Higgins, and also on sale now!

Detective Comics Celebrates 50th!

Fifty years ago this month, a new comic title hit the newsstands of this country. It is notable because it was the *first* comic book ever to use all newly created material, later gaining even greater notoriety and immortality as the birthplace of one of the most enduring heroes of the 20th Century, Bob Kane's ***The Batman.***

That comic was ***Detective Comics,*** and it's still going strong today, claiming the distinction of being the longest running comics title ever, not to mention one of the longest running periodicals in general. *Plus,* it was the title from which our company, DC, draws its name ***(Detective Comics).***

It's a special issue, deserving a special story to celebrate this monumental event, and that's exactly what editor Denny O'Neil, writer Mike W. Barr, and artists Alan Davis, Paul Neary, Carmine Infantino, E.R. Cruz, Terry Beatty, and others have joined together to create! ***The Batman*** (a no-miss regular since his bow in #27), teams up with ***Slam Bradley*** (created by Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster, and an alumnus of the very first issue of ***Detective)*** and the ***Elongated Man*** (who began his run in ***Detective #327)*** to try and solve a mystery linked to a one hundred year old previously undiscovered manuscript by Dr. Watson, friend and chronicler of the legendary ***Sherlock Holmes!***

If *that* doesn't get your eyebrows raised in astonishment and pique your interest, then how about this ... editor O'Neil promises ***Detective Comics #572*** will be one of the finest ***Batman*** tales ever, a giant-sized anniversary issue, all wrapped up in a cover by Michael Kaluta.

Detective Comics #572 is a piece of history worth waiting fifty years for!

March Listing

November 11th/December 4th

Angel Love #8 *maxi-series*—Angel's story comes to a stunning conclusion as she learns her sister's dark secret ... and we learn whether or not her mysterious sibling will agree to save their mom. Last issue in this series, with story, art, and cover by Barbara Slate.

Demon #3 *mini-series*—Jason Blood journeys deeper into the depths of darkness, risking his soul to raise the Demon to discover why his demonic alter ego resembles an illustration in the evil Book of Belial! Story and art by Matt Wagner, with inks by Art Nichols. Cover by Wagner and Nichols.

Fury of Firestorm #57—It's only a game ... until a weekend of fun turns into two days of non-stop terror that could claim hundreds of lives! It's up to Firestorm to save them all, not to mention keep from becoming a victim himself! Guest writer Barbara Randall and guest penciller Jose Delbo join regular series inker, Steve Mitchell. The cover is by Joe Brozowski/Rick Magyar.

History of the DC Universe Portfolio—To tell you the truth, if we started using all the superlatives, like "gorgeous," "magnificent," and "astonishing" that *really* describe this 10-plate portfolio, you wouldn't believe that *anything* could be that breathtakingly incredible! But if we tell you that this portfolio of prints depicting the history of the DC Universe from the days of King Arthur to the 30th Century has a full color cover painting by Bill Sienkiewicz, and prints by Steve Bissette, Brian Bolland, John Byrne, José Luis Garcia-Lopez, Keith Giffen, Dick Giordano, Joe Kubert, Steve Lightle, Jerry Ordway, Curt Swan, and John Totleben, then any superlatives we might use would be redundant.

Ironwolf #1 *one-shot*—It's a one-shot, 48 page special issue, reprinting Howard Chaykin's classic science fiction series, Ironwolf, in a space epic originally presented in 1973. The complete saga is here, created, plotted, pencilled, and inked by Chaykin, with dialog by Denny O'Neil. Chaykin also contributes some new material with a new painted cover and an introduction. *Deluxe format.*

Tales of the Teen Titans #75—The only hope the Titans have of surviving the menace of Auron and Blackfire are the Omega Men! Written by Marv Wolfman, with art by Chuck Patton and Romeo Tanghal. Plus, a Blackfire story by Wolfman and Dick Giordano. Cover by Omega Men artist, Shawn McManus. Originally appeared in ***The New Teen Titans #16.***

Justice League of America #260—A Legends Crossover! It's part three of the deadliest menace the JLA has ever faced, one that has already claimed a life. And now it's Steel's turn, facing an inferno of laser fury! Written by J. Marc DeMatteis, with art and cover by Luke McDonnell and Steve Montano.

The Outsiders #17—Eclipso is back and he's out to enshroud the world in eternal darkness. That's enough to reunite the Batman with the Outsiders ... but the reunion may *not* be enough to stop Eclipso's evil! Story by Mike W. Barr, art and cover by Jim Aparo.

Vigilante #39—People think it's something out of old Fu Manchu movies, but white slavery still exists, and when children start disappearing off the streets to feed an international slavery ring, the Vigilante gets involved with a bloodthirsty vengeance! Written by Paul Kupperberg, art by Tod Smith and Rick Magyar, with a cover by Jim Starlin. *Deluxe format. Recommended for mature readers.*

Watchmen #7 *maxi-series*—Mysteries deepen and more former heroes die at the hand of the mask-killer as Nite Owl and the Silk Spectre hit the streets to find some answers. Created by Alan Moore and Dave Gibbons. Cover by Gibbons. *Deluxe format.*

Wonder Woman #2—Diana, Princess of the Amazons, begins her quest to stop the power-crazed Ares, the God of War ... but Ares attack has already begun! And, Steve Trevor as you've never seen him before. Written by George Pérez and Greg Potter, pencilled by Pérez, inked by Bruce Patterson, with a cover by Pérez.

November 18th/December 11th

Batman #405—Part 2 (of 4) of ***Batman: Year One.*** He knew this job wasn't going to be easy when he started it, but the Batman never expected he would have to take on the entire Gotham City Police Department! Written by Frank Miller, with art and cover by David Mazzucchelli.

Blue Beetle #10—A Legends Crossover! The clock is counting down on the fate of the Windy City! And with only seconds to go until doomsday, the Beetle battles Chronos ... and only time will tell if he and Chicago will survive. Script by Len Wein, guest pencils by Chuck Patton, inks by Dell Barras, and cover by Paris Cullins and Barras.

Electric Warrior #11—The spirit of 9-03 haunts the new Electric Warrior, but that doesn't prevent him from meeting Kinsolving, in this story by Doug Moench, pencilled by Jim Baikie, inked by Pablo Marcos. Baikie provides the cover. *Deluxe format.*

G.I. Combat #288—They've been involved in some of the most decisive battles of the second World War, but here now, for the first time, the crew of the Haunted Tank reveals how they helped change the very course of the war! Written by Robert Kanigher, art by Sam Glanzman, and cover by Joe Kubert. LAST ISSUE!

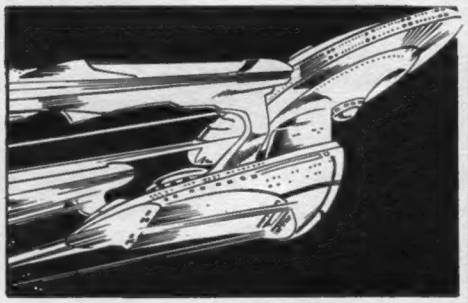
Legion of Super-Heroes #32—Four Legionnaires find themselves trapped on a world controlled by the evil Universo, and they don't even know *who* they are! The four-part saga begins here, written by Paul Levitz, with art by Greg LaRocque and Mike DeCarlo, and a cover by Steve Lightle. *Deluxe format.*

Secret Origins #12—They are living on borrowed time, and now you'll find out why in the fascinating origin of the Challengers of the Unknown, by Mark Evanier, penciller Chuck Patton and inker Bob Oksner. ***Plus:*** She's the newest member of the Golden Age All-Stars, Fury. Writer Roy Thomas, artist Tom Grindberg, and inker Tony DeZuniga provide the background details. Cover by Paris Cullins and Karl Kesel.

Star Trek #36—Kirk and the crew must prevent a war between the Federation and the Romulans, *and* do it all in time to get Spock to Vulcan and save his mind from being destroyed! This is the prequel to *Star Trek IV.* Scripted by Len Wein, and drawn by Gray Morrow. Cover by Joe Brozowski and Pablo Marcos.

Superman #3—A Legends Crossover! Not only does this tale of Superman's sudden trip to Apokolips to face the wrath of Darkseid provide another exciting chapter in the exciting LEGENDS saga, but it also begins a crossover between *all* of this month's Superman titles! Story and pencils by John Byrne, with inks by Terry Austin. Cover by Byrne.

Who's Who in Star Trek #1 *mini-series*—The first of two parts, telling you *everything* you ever wanted to know about the people and places of Star Trek! It's 48-pages, from Andorians to ... well, whatever starts with "Z," with all the facts and all-new art by John Byrne, Ron Frenz, Gray Morrow, Ron Randall, Tom Sutton, and others, plus a wraparound cover by Howard Chaykin!



N E W R E L E A S E S

November 25th/December 18th

Adventures of the Outsiders #43—We wish you a merry Christmas, and offer a very special present featuring Katana and Black Lightning in "A Christmas Carol—1986." Written by Mike W. Barr and art by Jim Aparo. Originally presented in ***The Outsiders #5.***

Adventures of Superman #426—A Legends Crossover! Superman's incredible adventure on Apokolips continues here, as the Man of Steel becomes the last hope for that beleaguered world's Hunger Dogs! Plotted by John Byrne, script by Marv Wolfman, with art and cover by Jerry Ordway.

Booster Gold #14—The future doesn't take kindly to Booster when he's stranded there because of a wrecked time machine. In fact, he's about to be executed ... unless guest-star Rip Hunter can do something about it. Dan Jurgens is the writer, penciller, and cover artist, with inks by Mike DeCarlo.

Elvira's Haunted Holidays #1—*Boo!* Did we scare you? No? Well, we'll do a lot better with this holiday Treasury of Terror, introduced by everybody's favorite hostess of horror, Elvira, featuring stories by Joey Cavalieri, Michael Fleisher, Gene Colan, and others. José Luis Garcia-Lopez contributes the cover.

Green Lantern Corps #210—The Corps has decided to get back together against a deadly menace. But is Guy Gardner, the man they've chosen to be their leader, part of the solution or the problem? Only writer Steve Englehart, and artists Joe Staton and Mark Farmer, know for sure. Cover by Staton and Bruce Patterson.

Infinity, Inc. #36—It's a three way showdown that promises to shake the world and, just possibly, reduce the costumed population of either the Infinitors, Injustice Unlimited, or the Global Guardians. Story by Roy Thomas, art by Todd McFarlane, and Tony DeZuniga. Cover by Ed Hannigan. *Deluxe format.*

The New Teen Titans #29—Behold, the rebirth of Brother Blood! His followers have a lot to be thankful for, and that includes three of his newest disciples ... Raven, Azrael, and Nightwing! Plot by Marv Wolfman, scripted by Paul Levitz, with art by Eduardo Barreto and Romeo Tanghal. Cover by Barreto. *Deluxe format.*

Who's Who: The Definitive Directory of the DC Universe #25—A whole bunch of talented writers and artists have gotten together to provide you with four (count 'em) *four* Vigilantes, but only one Unknown Soldier, a single Validus, and one each of other people in the same general vicinity of the alphabet. Joe Staton and Dick Giordano (one each) team up on the cover.

Swamp Thing #58—Adam Strange and his adopted planet, Rann, teeter on the edge of destruction. Can the Swamp Thing help, or hinder, their survival? Written by Alan Moore, with art by Rick Veitch, inks by Alfredo Alcala. Cover by Steve Bissette.

Warlord #115—A Legends Crossover! The legend of Travis Morgan, the Warlord, is widely known throughout Skataris, but now he must fight to preserve that legend, and save the life of Tara. Story by Michael Fleisher, art by Ron Randall, and a cover by Jerry Bingham and Randall.

December 2nd/December 26th

Action #586—A Legends Crossover! Superman discovers that he might be trapped on Apokolips forever ... unless the New Gods have something to say about it! Written and layed out by John Byrne, finished by Dick Giordano. Cover by Byrne.

All-Star Squadron #67—Finally, after 45 years it can be told! And the All-Star Squadron has chosen the event of their final issue to do it ... recapping the first case of the Justice Society! Written by Roy Thomas, pencilled by Arvell Jones, inked by Tony DeZuniga. Cover by Tom Grindberg and DeZuniga.

Captain Atom #1—It's a special 40-page issue, celebrating the beginning of an outstanding new series! Twenty years after they framed him, disgraced him, and blew him to bits, the man they'll come to call Captain Atom is back ... and he may just be the most powerful man on Earth! Story by Cary Bates, with art by Pat Broderick and Bob Smith. Cover by Broderick.

Detective Comics #572—It's Detective's 50th Anniversary issue, and in celebration of the event we're bringing you a special 56-page, extended length tale with no ads, featuring the Batman, Sherlock Holmes and others! It's a story not to be missed, by writer Mike W. Barr, with art by Alan Davis, Paul Neary, E.R. Cruz, Carmine Infantino, and Terry Beatty, and a cover by Michael Kaluta.

Hawkman #8—There's only one man in the world whose mind the Thanagarians can't read, and now he's being held at the Hyathis Corporation, where only the Hawks can save him! Story by Tony Isabella and Dan Mishkin, with art by Richard Howell and Carlos Garzon. Cover by Howell.

Question #2—When you start off dead, *anything* that happens to you afterwards has got to be a picnic! The secret of the Question is at last revealed, but it takes a pair of the most unexpected guest-stars of the month to do it. Story by Denny O'Neil, art by Denys Cowan and Rick Magyar, with a cover by Cowan and Bill Sienkiewicz. *Deluxe format.*

Legends #5 *mini-series*—The quest for Legends heads towards its stunning conclusion as the Earth's greatest heroes make their final stand at the Lincoln Memorial! And Dr. Fate kidnaps Superman straight out of the White House, *plus,* Changeling, Flash, Shazam, Suicide Squad ... and the evil of Darkseid! Created by John Ostrander, Len Wein, John Byrne, and Karl Kesel, with a cover by Byrne.

Cosmic Boy #4 *mini-series*—***A Legends Spin-off!*** Cosmic Boy and Night Girl battle the Time Trapper at the end of time, and the truths they learn are startling. Brought to you courtesy of Paul Levitz, Keith Giffen, Ernie Colón, and Bob Smith. Cover by Steve Lightle.

MASK #2—A master of make-up and disguise is out to ruin the forces of V.E.N.O.M., but Miles Mayhem has other ideas! Join the Mask Team in this adventure by Michael Fleisher, Curt Swan, and Kurt Schaffenberger. Cover by Swan and Murphy Anderson.

Tales of the Legion of Super-Heroes #345—The Legionnaires make their last stand on the deathworld of Tyrraz against the power of Tyr, the merciless mercenary! Written by Paul Levitz, pencilled by Greg LaRouque, inked by Larry Mahlstedt. Originally presented in ***Legion of Super-Heroes #20.***

Teen Titans Spotlight #8—He hasn't been the same since his brother died, and now the Hawk's first solo story concludes as he stalks the jungle after the deadly Arachnid. Story by Mike Baron, art by Jackson Guice and Larry Mahlstedt. Cover by Guice.

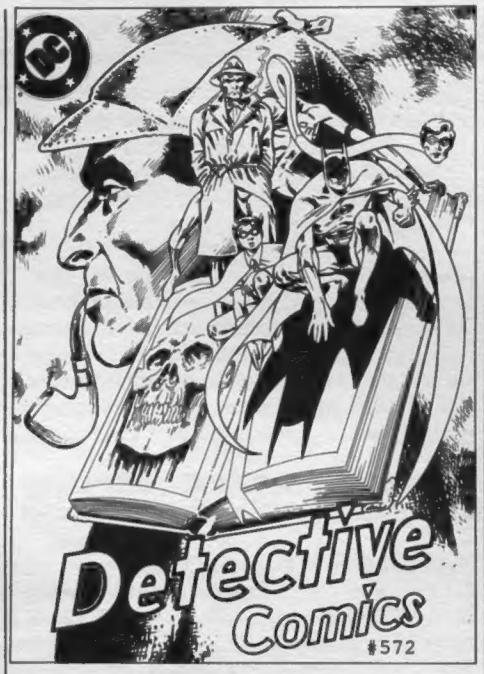
December 9th/December 30th

The Magic Goes Away (Science fiction Graphic Novel #6)—Larry Niven's classic tale of the dying days of magic! The last of the sorcerers convene to save the magic from disappearing ... and themselves from becoming extinct! Adapted by writer Paul Kupperberg, with stunning full-processed color painted art by Jan Duursema!

Star Trek IV Movie Special—The story continues, and DC presents the official adaptation of *Star Trek IV, the Movie,* as Admiral Kirk and his crew journey to 1986 to save Earth in the 23rd Century! Written by Mike W. Barr, pencilled by Tom Sutton, with inks by Ricardo Villagran. Painted cover by Howard Chaykin.

Plus...

Warning: You're going to want to get *two* copies of ***The History of the DC Universe Portfolio,*** featuring 10 stunning prints depicting the history of the DC Universe, from past to the future by DC's top talents: Steve Bissette, Brian Bolland, John Byrne, José Luis Garcia-Lopez, Keith Giffen, Dick Giordano, Joe Kubert, Steve Lightle, Jerry Ordway, Curt Swan, and John Totleben, with a full-color jacket painting by Bill Sienkiewicz. Why two copies of this 5,000 copy limited edition set? One to frame, and one to store as the collector's item it's sure to become!



Beam aboard with a *triple shot* of ***Star Trek*** this month: ***Star Trek IV Movie Special*** is the official adaptation of *Star Trek IV: The Voyage Home.* It features the 64-page sequel to the last film and movie special, taking Kirk and crew into 1986 to save Earth in the 23rd Century, adapted by writer Mike W. Barr and artists Tom Sutton and Ricardo Villagran, with a cover painted by Howard Chaykin. That's followed by ***Who's Who in Star Trek #1,*** the first of a two part A-Z listing of the people and places of ***Star Trek!*** And just because it appears every month doesn't mean we've forgotten the incredible regular ***Star Trek #36,*** by Len Wein and Gray Morrow, with the story that takes us to the brink of the aforementioned ***Star Trek IV Movie Special!***

It was a classic of its time, and now Howard Chaykin's ***Ironwolf*** is back in a one-shot special reprinting the complete science fiction saga. Chaykin created, plotted, and drew it (and adds a present-day cover painting to the package, just to keep things interesting!), with dialog by Denny O'Neil, and, believe it or not, lettering by Walt Simonson!

Frank Miller and David Mazzucchelli's four part mini-series-within-a-series, ***Batman: Year One*** continues this month in ***The Batman #405!***

Adapted from the pages of Larry Niven's fantasy classic, the latest in DC's graphic novel adaptations, ***The Magic Goes Away,*** scripted by Paul Kupperberg, with full-processed color art and cover by Jan Duursema.

HALLOWEEN HOWLS

Waiting a couple of months this year for the DC Christmas "Grab Bag" just wouldn't do so, we decided to celebrate Halloween with a "Scare-Bag"—everyone contributing on paper what spooks them the most. Here's a few:

Animals who forecast changes in the weather.
Shelley Eiber, Assistant Production Manager

Discovering that I'm soon to be a Senior Citizen.
Ed Shukin, Vice President Circulation

Anything marked 666.
Ruthie Thomas, Receptionist

Body cells gone awry and teeth on the sidewalk.
Bill Sienkiewicz, Free-lance artist

Big, hairy spiders and uncontrollable urges.
Bob Rozakis, Production Manager

Having gained 5 lbs!
Jenette Kahn, President and Publisher

Lucille Ball.
Andy Helfer, Editor

Outside of you? Being late for a date.
Julie Schwartz, Creative Consultant

Not having a date.
Jonathan Peterson, Assistant Editor

Free-lancers turning in work early.
Paul Levitz, Executive Vice-President

Fireflies! Editors! Bob Rozakis!
Muffy Greenough, Production Artist

Chopsticks, chocolate and uncooked pork.
Peter Sanderson, Free-lance writer

Bob Rozakis' smile.
Richard Bruning, Art Director/
Cover Editor

We all drew out of the "bag" somebody's innermost fear and by October 31, each and every one must be fulfilled—ominous outcome to follow in our next DC RELEASES.

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